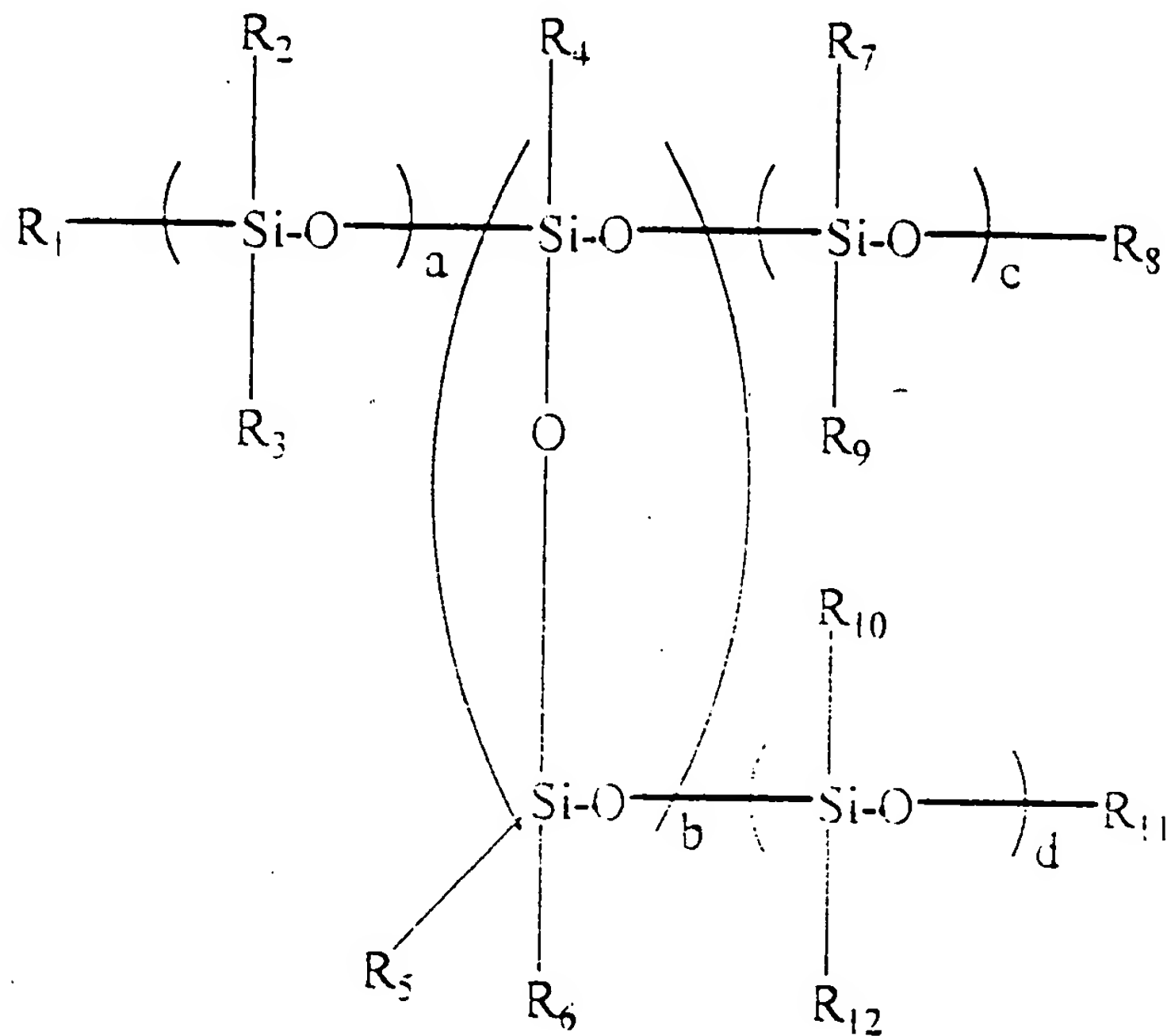


**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Kindly amend Claims 1 and 7 and cancel Claims 5 and 6 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An electricity accumulating element comprising a pair of electrodes, and a dielectric thin film and a solid electrolyte thin film sandwiched between the electrodes,

wherein the dielectric thin film is a metal oxide thin film and the solid electrolyte thin film is a thin film obtained by firing at a temperature of 200 °C or more a silicon-containing compound comprising at least one member selected from the group consisting of a polysilane which is soluble in organic solvent and a silicone compound having a chemical structure represented by the general formula:



wherein  $R_1$  to  $R_{12}$ , which may be the same or different, are each a group selected from the group consisting of an aliphatic hydrocarbon which has 1 to 10 carbon atoms and may be substituted with a halogen or a glycidyloxy group, an aromatic hydrocarbon group having 6 to 12 carbon atoms, and an alkoxy group having 1 to 8 carbon atoms; a, b, c and d are each an integer of 0 or more; and  $a + b + c + d \geq 1$ .

2. (Previously Presented) the electricity accumulating element according to claim 1, wherein the thickness of the metal oxide thin film is from 1 to 100 nm.

3. (Previously Presented) The electricity accumulating element according to claim 1, wherein the metal oxide thin film is a chromium oxide thin film.

4. (Previously Presented) The electricity accumulating element according to claim 3, wherein the chromium oxide thin film is a film obtained by subjecting a chromium nitrogen oxide thin film to heat treatment at a temperature of 400 to 800 ° C.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Cancelled)

7. ( Currently Amended) The electricity accumulating element according to claim 6 1, wherein the silicon-containing compound further comprises a silicon compound and at least one selected from a peroxide and a benzophenone derivative having a benzophenone structure.